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### LOCAL GATHERINGS

The Snowshoe club will meet this Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the Athenaeum for a tramp. The party will return to G. A. R. hall for supper and a general good time. All old-timers are urged to be present and all newcomers invited. Those unable to snowshoe are welcome at the hall afterwards.

The Chin Chin club meets this week with Miss Madeline Clark, at 101 Railroad street.

The regular meeting of the W. R. C. will be held on Thursday evening. A large attendance is desired.

The following letters are advertised for the week ending Jan. 1: Ladd, Mrs. Ella Dole, Mrs. Ida Gay, Mrs. Earle Jensen, Mrs. Alfred Miller, Miss Bennie Nourse, Miss Annie Thurber, Mrs. W. G. Wheeler; gentlemen, Homer Hamet, Fred Martel, Mose Metelver, C. T. Orr, H. DeMott Perry.

Some 30 or more relatives and friends, who came here from Maine and New Hampshire, being called here by the death and burial of Almo Juneau, after services being over, repaired to the home of Joseph Juneau, where dinner was in readiness, and were cordially entertained and their kindness was greatly appreciated by the family. Such sympathy helps to alleviate the grief we feel for our loved ones.

There will be a special meeting of Mystic Star Chapter, No. 29, O. E. S. Tuesday evening, Jan. 11, for the purpose of entertaining Mrs. Emma Coburn, D. D. G. M., and David R. Cole, D. D. G. T. The degrees will be conferred on seven candidates. All members of the order are invited to be present.

The Women's Home Missionary society of the South church will meet with Mrs. Helen C. Thompson, 47 Summer street, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Brightlook Hospital Aid Ass'n will hold its annual meeting at the nurses' home, Monday, Jan. 10, at 2:30 p. m. This will also be a sewing meeting.

Levi J. Vance has 51 Plymouth Rock pullets, which have laid 133 dozen eggs since Sept. 15, 1915. The record for December was 67 dozen.

Much disgust has been expressed by many of the prominent business men of this town because of the way in which the streets were, or rather were not, being cleared of snow. Sunday morning it was nearly noon before the streets were broken and then Eastern avenue only had a dog path. People going to church had to wade through the deep snow and when the man on the plow was asked why he had not plowed it sooner he said that people would just have to go to church in the snow or wait until he got good

and ready to plow it out, otherwise they could stay at home.

G. F. Chamberlain has sold a half interest in the stock shed and lot east of his store on Portland street to James Weeks.

### GROTON

(Mrs. G. H. Millis, Correspondent.) Mrs. Walter Scruton is teaching in Westville in place of Minnie Lang, who was called to Topsham by the illness of her mother. Mrs. Lang is expected back this week.

There will be special services at the Methodist church Thursday and Friday evenings of this week and a part of next week.

There is a good deal of sickness here at present, mostly grip and colds.

Bessie Ricker has been sick with the grip.

Obed Emery is sick at the home of Lewis Lund.

Schools in the village began Monday after a two weeks' vacation.

The following officers have been elected by the Victoria Rebeccah lodge, Mrs. Mary Benzie, noble grand; Mrs. Addie Smith, vice grand; Mrs. Mary Donald, secretary; Allen Smith, treasurer.

Bernie Smith is sick with the grip. Miss Nola Fellows, who is teaching in the Plummer district, was taken sick Thursday and had to go home.

There is no school in that district this week. Miss Fellows expects to be able to begin the school again next Monday.

Alma Lund went to the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington Saturday for an operation for appendicitis. She had been at home only 10 days from the hospital where she had been for an operation on her arm. Her father accompanied her.

### EAST CONCORD

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Isham and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Sayers and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Isham and family attended the New Year's tree at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Isham in Dalton, N. H., last Saturday evening. There were 27 present and the occasion was a very happy one for all, especially to Mrs. Harry Isham who was presented with a handsome piano from her husband.

William Parham of Sawyer's River, N. H., spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Emma Busbee is in Brightlook hospital at St. Johnsbury for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Emery were in Monroe, N. H., New Year's day to attend the golden wedding anniversary of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emery.

The 25 cent piece was made famous by the American Liver Tablets, the perfect laxative.

### BURNED MORTGAGE

(Continued from page one.) of useful and fancy work. The last hour, from nine to ten o'clock, has been spent socially with dancing and music. Some instruction in cooking has also been given. These classes have been successful and helpful, but one thing that we hoped for has not followed. We hoped and still hope these rooms may be used more than they have been for a gathering place for young women who have no homes in our village and wish for some place to meet their friends. We hope this year Mrs. Eaton may be able to help many in this way. The classes are to begin again this month.

You will readily understand that from a building used in this way the income must be very small, but with money raised in various ways by the association, all necessary repairs have been made, taxes, insurance, interest on mortgage note (the last no longer an item) and all bills for running expenses have been met. Not one dollar of money paid for certificates of stock has been used, except to meet indebtedness represented by this note, which is now to be burned, and one part of our larger aim successfully accomplished.

But this does not include all we desire to do for our village. We have no medium sized hall easily accessible, we have no place for large banquets, we have no place for our girls and boys to have basket ball and other indoor games during the winter season. Our first aim was to erect a building for an auditorium, with good stage, committee room, banquet room, kitchen, etc. Now we have a larger vision. We desire the erection of a building to be used for community purposes, to be called a Community House or Hall. This will, of course, call for some change in our plans, a broadening of acts of sympathy and helpfulness among the citizens of our village. We are most thankful for what has been accomplished and we ask your continued interest and active help in meeting what we conceive to be a great and pressing need of our village, and which we feel sure can be accomplished if all are willing and ready to co-operate.

REBECCA P. FAIRBANKS,  
For Directors of Club House Association.

Real Estate Sales.

Aldis P. Ladd of Parker avenue, sold his farm on Lower River street to Charles Anderson of Danville.

The late Anthony McCormick's blacksmith shop on Portland street was sold to W. H. Barker of Danville. Both sales were made through the Caledonia Real Estate Co.

### PRESS COMMENT

Vail, Vermont.

If deeds alone were not enough, the published words of Theodore N. Vail, uttered on almost any public occasion where his utterances have been requested, would convince any Vermont-er not only of his deep devotion to the state, but his practical knowledge of her needs.

Freely accorded a place among the half dozen really big men of the nation and the times, Mr. Vail's position as a business leader is secure. It is his intimate knowledge of Vermont agricultural conditions that excites the wonder and admiration of readers and observers.

It has been said that dairying and agriculture are his hobbies, and in a sense that is true, but what mere dilettante could condense such wisdom into a paragraph as the following from his Burlington speech to the state grange?

"Care for your dairy. Don't keep a cow that does not yield a profit. It's better to feed and milk one good one than two poor ones. Send the poor ones to the butcher. Make every animal and every acre produce a maximum result. It is not hard work that counts, it is efficient work."

This is so self-evident as to be a truism, yet at the time when Mr. Vail began to experiment with dual-purpose cattle, card-indexed and tested with scientific accuracy, how many farmers had put such an obvious theory into operation?

Here is another bit of priceless wisdom.

"You need not buy Oregon apples if you will treat your apple trees as you do well bred colts or calves and poultry. Keep the insects off of them. Give them good beds of earth to grow in and plenty of feed to mature them, and pick and pack your fruit as carefully as you do your eggs. It is far more delicate. When you do this you can sell your apples on the Pacific slope instead of buying apples from Oregon."

With Vermont apples surpassing in flavor and delicacy any lauded orchard products of the Hood River, Wenatchee, Spokane or Bitter Root countries, how apparent it is that in one paragraph this great man has expressed the opportunity for "acres of diamonds" right at home!

Mr. Vail has done a great deal for Vermont. He may do a great deal more, but no private citizen has ever better aided the cause of agricultural progress than he, by lending the prestige of his personality to words of wisdom and deeds of beneficent helpfulness.—Rutland Herald.

American Institute of International Law.

The world is now making an experiment in the use of force as a means of adjusting world affairs without a parallel in history. After this attempt has proved futile, as inevitably will be the case, no matter what the outcome of the war, the people of the whole world will instinctively turn anew to the realm of international law for the adjustment of the relations and interests of nations.

The formation of the American Institute of International Law, including representatives of no less than twenty-one republics on the American continent, announced in our columns yesterday, is one of the most timely and auspicious developments that could possibly have come out of the sessions of the Pan-American Congress in Washington. The possibilities of such an organization are well-nigh illimitable, embracing not only the prevention of future wars, with the adjusting of relations which, left to themselves, might breed trouble, but also the performing of inestimable service in the readjustment of the affairs of the old world as a result of this war.

The most important task of such an organization at present, however, is the restoration of international law to the position which it held in world affairs when the present European conflict began. All of the serious international diplomatic contests in which our nation has found itself embroiled during the struggle were the direct outcome of violations of long established international laws and of the usages of nations in civilized warfare. The belligerents on both sides found they could not accomplish their purpose of getting at the enemy effectively in connection with sea warfare without changing their interpretation of international law under one pretext or another.

From the very nature of the case the world can hardly look to Europe for sane and helpful revision of the laws of nations for a considerable period to come. On the other hand the republics of this continent, being far removed from the scene of conflict and wholly independent, are in an admirable position to undertake the reinstatement of the rule of sound international laws. A code of laws issuing from this source would command the respect of Europe, whereas the same laws submitted by belligerents would inevitably arouse suspicion if not meet with insuperable obstacles growing out of the prejudices and the antagonisms of war.

Vaulting a number of other important possibilities, we point to the ultimate promotion of universal peace as the logical and legitimate goal of the American Institute of International Law. It is absurd for advocates of peace to go about talking of a world league bent on peace, even if they have to fight for it.

Moral force is the power on which any peace organization must rely, and a law body representing all the republics on the American continent will be in a position to exert a moral force that no European power following this war will care to defy. This is especially true, if as is claimed by many publicists, the European war is to be followed by a tremendous economic conflict.

This in plain terms means a struggle for trade in manufactured and other products; and the trade of the American continent can be made to stand as an avenging power for any nation that dares to draw the sword for exhausting all the rules prescribed by the American Institute of International Law for the preservation of peace.—Burlington Free Press.

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Specials for Friday,  
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## PRE-INVENTORY CASH CLEARANCE SALE

Combined with Bargain Day, January 7th.

Visit our store Bargain Day and see for yourself that you can save money on seasonable merchandise

### REMNANT SALE FRIDAY A. M.

Before stock taking all remnants and short lengths go on sale this Friday's Bargain Day at prices you can't resist.

### DRESS GOODS

1 piece Tan Covert Cloth, 59c value  
Friday 38c  
4 pieces Pepper and Salt Cotton Dress Goods, regular price 12 1/2c  
Friday 9c yd  
1 piece only Bath Robe Cloth, was 25c yd  
Friday 18c yd  
2 only Bath Robe Blankets, were \$2.75  
Friday \$1.98

### BUNGALOW APRONS

Were 39c Friday 29c

FLANNELLETTE NIGHT ROBES  
\$1.00 Robes white Friday 79c  
\$1.25 Robes white Friday 98c

### OUTING FLANNELS

Small lot 10c value, Friday 7c yd

### PERCALES

Small lot 12 1/2c value, Friday 9c yd

### BED SPREADS

\$1.50 value Friday \$1.29  
1 lot Bed Spreads Friday 58c

### CLEARANCE SALE

### HOSIERY

Women's 25c Fleeced Hose, Tans only, 1/2 price 2 for 25c

### HANDKERCHIEFS

Women's 5c Handkerchiefs, used for Xmas trimmings, Sale 3 for 10c

### WOOL HOSE

Women's Wool Hose, 50c grade, ribbed top, off sizes, Sale 38c pr

### WOMEN'S SWEATERS

\$5 and \$7 Wool Sweaters, Closing \$3.98  
\$4.00 Wool Sweaters Closing \$2.98  
\$2.00 Children's Sweaters Closing \$1.69  
\$2.25 Children's Combination Sets Closing \$1.98

### WOMEN'S UNION SUITS

Fine quality, silk trimmed, medium weight, were \$1.00 Closing 69c

### WOOL SERGE SKIRTS

15 only \$3.50 value, Sale \$2.49

### MEN'S FOUR-IN-HAND TIES

50c value Sale 38c  
Men's 50c Suspenders Sale 38c  
Men's 25c Suspenders Sale 19c  
Men's 10c Work Gloves, Friday 5c pr

### IRISH CROCHET COLLARS

\$3.00 Grade Closing \$1.98  
\$1.50 Grade Closing 98c  
\$1.00 Grade Closing 79c

### 3 DAYS SALE

On Manicure Sets, Toilet and Baby Sets, Bead Bags, Shaving Mirrors, Trays, etc., these goods will be found on and in Show Case, Dry Goods Dept. 3 days Sale, 1/4 off regular prices.

### CROCKERY DEPT.

2 only 65 pc White and Gold Dinner Sets, stock pattern ware, reg price \$8.50 Friday \$6.19  
1 only 112 pc Dinner Set, was \$11. Friday \$7.50  
19c 1 qt Earthen Pitchers Friday 11c

### TUMBLERS

60c quality, plain thin, Friday 29c dz  
\$5.00 Fancy Casseroles, Friday \$3.45  
\$4.00 Mahogany Serving Trays, Friday \$2.75

### EXTRA SPECIAL CROCKERY DEPARTMENT

All Chocolate Sets, Berry Sets, Dresser and Toilet Sets, Friday 1/2 off regular price.

### FANCY PARLOR LAMPS

All Parlor lamps Friday 1/2 off regular price.  
2 only \$4.00 Electric Lamps Friday \$2.98

### SPECIAL TABLE

Of Fancy Pieces of Crockery, values from 98c up to \$2.00  
Friday only 85c ea

### SILVER POLISH

Cando, Friday 2 jars for 16c  
Babcock's Talcum Powder, Friday 2 for 24c

### All 25c Boxed Stationery

Friday only 19c  
Paper Napkins Friday 4c hd  
Roll Toilet Paper Fixture Free with a 25c purchase of 6 rolls best grade toilet paper.

15 Gallon Stone Jars Friday \$1.79

Mirrors, \$1.75, 12 by 18 Bevel Glass Friday \$1.39

Japanned Foot Tubes Friday 9c

\$1.50 Steak Carver Sets Friday 69c

### TEA KETTLES

\$1.50 All White Enamel Tea Kettles, Friday 95c  
\$1.25 All Copper Tea Kettles Friday \$1.05

\$1.50 White Enamel Coffee Percolators, Friday 89c  
Wooden Coat Hangers Friday 4 for 6c

### TIN PAILS

10 qt Pails Friday 7c  
6 qt Pails Friday 5c  
7.50 Traverse Friday \$3.50  
Baby Sleighs Sale \$2.95  
Boy's Clamp Skates, 75c value Friday 39c

\$1.75 Model Enamel Roasters, self basting Friday \$1.29

### CLOTHES WRINGERS

\$4.00 Universal Tub Wringers Friday \$3.25  
\$6.00 Universal Bench Wringers Friday \$4.75

### WALL CLOTHES DRYERS

60c quality with 10 arms Friday 49c

### WASH BOARDS

35c quality Friday 19c  
\$1.45 Ironing Boards, Friday \$1.19  
\$1.25 Rocking Horses Friday 95c  
\$3.25 Doll Carriages, English Friday \$2.49

6 only 75c Girl's Sleds Friday 65c

3 only \$1.39 Boy's Low Sleds Friday 95c

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